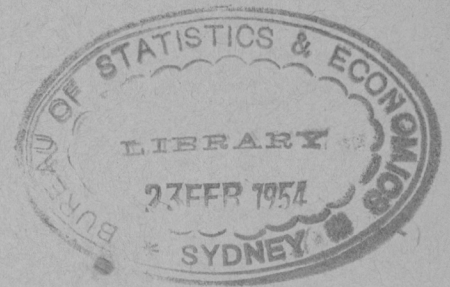


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#### EXPLANATORY NOTES.

Except where otherwise specified employment figures contained in this Bulletin are based on data obtained from the 1933 Census, the Civilian Register of 1943, the Occupation Survey of 1945, Annual Censuses of Factory Production, and returns from Governmental Authorities, together with Monthly Pay-roll Tax returns lodged by employers (other than Commonwealth Government Authorities, religious and benevolent institutions and public hospitals) paying more than £80 per week in wages (£20 per week prior to 1st October, 1953). They should be interpreted in the light of the prefatory notes on page 1 hereof.

The terms "Employment", "Number Employed", "Employees", and "Wage Earners" used herein are synonymous with, and relate to, "wage and salary earners" on pay-rolls or "in employment" in the latter part of each month as distinct from numbers of employees actually working on a specific date. They include persons employed part-time.



PREFATORY NOTES

1. The figures relating to employment published in this Bulletin are estimates. The census of June, 1954, may show the need for some revision in the monthly aggregates. It is not anticipated, however, that any such revision will affect the trends shown by the figures in Tables 1 to 8. Some revisions will be necessary in the totals and trends in employment shown for individual industries (particularly manufacturing) in Tables 9 and 10. Tables showing employment in individual classes of factory are not published pending review.

2. Call-ups for short periods of National Service training have occurred from time to time since August, 1951, and other variations occur in numbers of personnel in the Services. These are shown in item 4 below and in Table 4 page 3 hereof. Relevant figures are as follows: -

AUSTRALIA : (Thousands)  
(EXCLUDING employees in Rural Industries and Private Domestic Service)

	1952		1953				
	Nov- ember	Dec- ember	August	Sept- ember	October	Nov- ember	Dec- ember
<u>MALES</u>							
1. In Private Employment	1300.6	1299.4	1319.4	1323.6	1330.4	1337.9	1340.9
In Governmental Employment-							
Commonwealth Authorities-							
Defence Group (a)	(b)32.2	(b)32.5	30.3	30.3	30.3	30.1	30.0
Other	127.4	127.3	127.2	126.8	126.3	126.4	126.2
State and Semi-Governmental	345.8	345.1	349.2	350.2	351.1	352.2	353.4
Local Authorities	59.7	59.6	59.6	59.4	59.7	60.0	60.3
2. Total Governmental	565.1	564.5	566.8	566.7	567.4	568.7	569.9
3. Grand Total in Civilian							
Employment	1865.7	1863.9	1886.2	1890.3	1897.8	1906.6	1910.8
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Overseas and National Service Trainees in Camp)(c)	62.1	59.3	65.5	62.8	62.5	57.0	52.5
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	1927.8	1923.2	1951.7	1953.1	1960.3	1963.6	1963.3

FEMALES

1. In Private Employment	554.7	557.9	565.0	569.1	574.5	582.7	590.0
In Governmental Employment-							
Commonwealth Authorities-							
Defence Group (a)	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
Other	36.7	36.1	35.6	35.5	34.9	34.9	34.5
State and Semi-Governmental	64.0	63.6	65.4	65.4	65.4	65.4	65.2
Local Authorities	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.4
2. Total Governmental	112.2	111.2	112.5	112.4	111.8	111.9	111.3
3. Grand Total in Civilian							
Employment	666.9	669.1	677.5	681.5	686.3	694.6	701.3
4. Defence Forces (Permanent and Overseas)	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
5. Total, Civilian Employees and Defence Forces	669.0	671.1	679.5	683.5	688.3	696.6	703.3

PERSONS

1. In Private Employment	1855.3	1857.3	1884.4	1892.7	1904.9	1920.6	1930.9
In Governmental Employment-							
Commonwealth Authorities-							
Defence Group (a)	38.5	38.8	36.5	36.5	36.5	36.3	36.2
Other	164.1	163.4	162.8	162.3	161.2	161.3	160.7
State and Semi-Governmental	409.8	408.7	415.1	415.6	416.5	417.6	418.6
Local Authorities	64.9	64.8	64.9	64.7	65.0	65.4	65.7
2. Total Governmental	677.3	675.7	679.3	679.1	679.2	680.6	681.2
3. Grand Total in Civilian							
Employment	2532.6	2533.0	2563.7	2571.8	2584.1	2601.2	2612.1
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Overseas and National Service Trainees in Camp)(c)	72.2	61.3	67.5	64.8	64.5	59.0	54.5
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2596.8	2594.3	2631.2	2636.6	2648.6	2660.2	2666.6

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence, Supply and Defence Production. (b) Includes migrants employed by the Defence Group under the emergency employment plan. (c) Excludes rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training but includes non-enlisted personnel.

## I. GENERAL SUMMARY

TABLE I : PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT - AUSTRALIA  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	1340.8	1316.5	1316.3	605.2	558.7	562.8	1946.0	1875.2	1879.1
August	1341.9	1306.9	1319.4	607.4	553.1	565.0	1949.3	1860.0	1884.4
September	1343.7	1298.6	1323.6	608.2	552.1	569.1	1951.9	1850.7	1892.7
October	1349.3	1301.6	1330.4	609.2	553.0	574.5	1958.5	1854.6	1904.9
November	1358.8	1300.6	1337.9	611.2	554.7	582.7	1970.0	1855.3	1920.6
December	1352.5	1299.4	1340.9	608.6	557.9	590.0	1961.1	1857.3	1930.9
January	1352.2	1297.9		597.9	553.9		1950.1	1851.8	
February	1351.4	1307.3		592.3	559.9		1943.7	1867.2	
March	1351.2	1311.3		588.3	564.4		1939.5	1875.7	
April	1342.8	1314.7		578.4	563.8		1921.2	1878.5	
May	1335.0	1316.8		572.5	562.8		1907.5	1879.6	
June	1329.7	1319.0		564.1	561.7		1893.8	1880.7	

TABLE 2 : CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES - AUSTRALIA  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	572.0	577.5	566.1	115.0	115.5	112.5	687.0	693.0	678.6
August	570.0	574.9	566.8	114.7	114.9	112.5	684.7	689.8	679.3
September	563.3	572.3	566.7	112.5	113.8	112.4	675.8	686.1	679.1
October	559.8	567.5	567.4	112.4	112.6	111.8	672.2	680.1	679.2
November	560.3	565.1	568.7	112.8	112.2	111.9	673.1	677.3	680.6
December	563.4	564.5	569.9	112.0	111.2	111.3	675.4	675.7	681.2
January	564.7	(a) 559.9		112.9	110.3		677.6	(a) 670.2	
February	569.1	563.8		115.0	112.1		684.1	675.9	
March	572.5	566.8		115.5	112.7		688.0	679.5	
April	576.6	567.7		115.8	112.3		692.4	680.0	
May	578.8	568.1		115.7	112.1		694.5	680.2	
June	578.4	567.8		115.3	112.0		693.7	679.8	

(a) Affected by industrial dispute.

TABLE 3 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES - AUSTRALIA  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	1912.8	1894.0	1882.4	720.2	674.2	675.3	2633.0	2568.2	2557.7
August	1911.9	1881.8	1886.2	722.1	668.0	677.5	2634.0	2549.8	2563.7
September	1907.0	1870.9	1890.3	720.7	665.9	681.5	2627.7	2536.8	2571.8
October	1909.1	1869.1	1897.8	721.6	665.6	686.3	2630.7	2534.7	2584.1
November	1919.1	1865.7	1906.6	724.0	666.9	694.6	2643.1	2532.6	2601.2
December	1915.9	1863.9	1910.8	720.6	669.1	701.3	2636.5	2533.0	2612.1
January	1916.9	(a) 1857.8		710.8	664.2		2627.7	(a) 2522.0	
February	1920.5	1871.1		707.3	672.0		2627.8	2543.1	
March	1923.7	1878.1		703.8	677.1		2627.5	2555.2	
April	1919.4	1882.4		694.2	676.1		2613.6	2558.5	
May	1913.8	1884.9		688.2	674.9		2602.0	2559.8	
June	1908.1	1886.8		679.4	673.7		2587.5	2560.5	

(a) Affected by industrial dispute.



TABLE 4 : DEFENCE FORCES - AUSTRALIA

(INCLUDING Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp)(a)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	46.7	68.9	66.0	0.8	1.9	2.0	47.5	70.8	68.0
August	56.1	70.4	65.5	0.9	2.1	2.0	57.0	72.5	67.5
September	57.0	70.6	62.8	1.0	2.1	2.0	58.0	72.7	64.8
October	57.5	70.1	62.5	1.1	2.1	2.0	58.6	72.2	64.5
November	49.5	62.1	57.0	1.2	2.1	2.0	50.7	64.2	59.0
December	50.7	59.3	52.5	1.2	2.0	2.0	51.9	61.3	54.5
January	58.6	67.5		1.3	2.1		59.9	69.6	
February	60.4	68.4		1.4	2.0		61.8	70.4	
March	62.0	65.8		1.5	2.0		63.5	67.8	
April	64.6	63.0		1.6	2.0		66.2	65.0	
May	65.9	65.4		1.8	2.0		67.7	67.4	
June	67.6	65.4		1.8	2.0		69.4	67.4	

(a) Non-enlisted personnel are included. Rural Workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

TABLE 5 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, DEFENCE FORCES AND TRAINEES - AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	1959.5	1962.9	1948.4	721.0	676.1	677.3	2680.5	2639.0	2625.7
August	1968.0	1952.2	1951.7	723.0	670.1	679.5	2691.0	2622.3	2631.2
September	1964.0	1941.5	1953.1	721.7	668.0	683.5	2685.7	2609.5	2636.6
October	1966.6	1939.2	1960.3	722.7	667.7	688.3	2689.3	2606.9	2648.6
November	1968.6	1927.8	1963.6	725.2	669.0	696.6	2693.8	2590.8	2660.2
December	1966.6	1923.2	1963.3	721.8	671.1	703.3	2688.4	2594.3	2666.6
January	1975.5	(a) 1925.3		712.1	666.3		2687.6	(a) 2591.6	
February	1980.9	1939.5		708.7	674.0		2689.6	2613.5	
March	1985.7	1943.9		705.3	679.1		2691.0	2623.0	
April	1984.0	1945.4		695.8	678.1		2679.8	2623.5	
May	1979.7	1950.3		690.0	676.9		2669.7	2627.2	
June	1975.7	1952.2		681.2	675.7		2656.9	2627.9	

(a) Affected by industrial dispute.

TABLE 6 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month		Civilian Employees (excl. Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service)								Defence Forces (b)
		Males			Females			Persons		
		Govt. Autho- rities (a)	Private Employ- ment	Total	Govt. Autho- rities (a)	Private Employ- ment	Total	Govt. Autho- rities (a)	Private Employ- ment	
1939 July	349.8	943.1	1,293.1	55.2	381.9	437.1	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	12.9
1941 July	375.3	988.1	1,363.4	70.8	485.4	556.2	446.1	1,473.5	1,919.6	284.6
1942 June	420.9	888.6	1,309.5	100.8	502.8	603.6	521.7	1,391.4	1,913.1	634.0
1943 June	413.3	859.9	1,273.2	135.9	504.8	640.7	549.2	1,364.7	1,913.9	729.0
1944 June	404.5	871.1	1,275.6	134.0	497.5	631.5	538.5	1,368.6	1,907.1	704.4
1945 June	400.2	896.1	1,296.3	124.8	494.6	619.4	525.0	1,390.7	1,915.7	648.9
1946 June	435.0	1,071.5	1,506.5	94.0	502.0	596.0	529.0	1,573.5	2,102.5	143.4
1947 June	472.0	1,177.4	1,649.4	92.1	527.5	619.6	564.1	1,704.9	2,269.0	54.0
1948 June	494.0	1,236.9	1,730.9	94.9	549.1	644.0	588.9	1,786.0	2,374.9	39.3
1949 May(c)	518.9	1,268.2	1,787.1	99.2	564.9	664.1	618.1	1,833.1	2,451.2	33.6
1950 June	553.5	1,305.2	1,858.7	107.6	580.6	688.2	661.1	1,885.8	2,546.9	33.7
1951 June	571.2	1,340.3	1,911.5	113.9	604.9	718.8	685.1	1,945.2	2,630.3	44.3
1952 June	578.4	1,329.7	1,908.1	115.3	564.1	679.4	693.7	1,893.8	2,587.5	69.4
1953 June	567.8	1,319.0	1,886.8	112.0	561.7	673.7	679.8	1,880.7	2,560.5	67.4
1951 Dec.(d)	563.4	1,352.5	1,915.9	112.0	608.6	720.6	675.4	1,961.1	2,636.5	51.9
1952 Jan.	564.7	1,352.2	1,916.9	112.9	597.9	710.8	677.6	1,950.1	2,627.7	59.9
Feb.	569.1	1,351.4	1,920.5	115.0	592.3	707.3	684.1	1,943.7	2,627.8	61.8
Mar.	572.5	1,351.2	1,923.7	115.5	588.3	703.8	688.0	1,939.5	2,627.5	63.5
Apr.	576.6	1,342.8	1,919.4	115.8	578.4	694.2	692.4	1,921.2	2,613.6	66.2
May	578.8	1,335.0	1,913.8	115.7	572.5	688.2	694.5	1,907.5	2,602.0	67.7
June	578.4	1,329.7	1,908.1	115.3	564.1	679.4	693.7	1,893.8	2,587.5	69.4
July	577.5	1,316.5	1,894.0	115.5	558.7	674.2	693.0	1,875.2	2,568.2	70.8
Aug.	574.9	1,306.9	1,881.8	114.9	553.1	668.0	689.8	1,860.0	2,549.8	72.5
Sept.	572.3	1,298.6	1,870.9	113.8	552.1	665.9	686.1	1,850.7	2,536.8	72.7
Oct.	567.5	1,301.6	1,869.1	112.6	553.0	665.6	680.1	1,854.6	2,534.7	72.2
Nov.	565.1	1,300.6	1,865.7	112.2	554.7	666.9	677.3	1,855.3	2,532.6	64.2
Dec.	564.5	1,299.4	1,863.9	111.2	557.9	669.1	675.7	1,857.3	2,533.0	61.3
1953 Jan.	559.9	1,297.9	1,857.8	110.3	553.9	664.2	670.2	1,851.8	2,522.0	69.6
Feb.	563.8	1,307.3	1,871.1	112.1	559.9	672.0	675.9	1,867.2	2,543.1	70.4
Mar.	566.8	1,311.3	1,878.1	112.7	564.4	677.1	679.5	1,875.7	2,555.2	67.8
Apr.	567.7	1,314.7	1,882.4	112.3	563.8	676.1	680.0	1,878.5	2,558.5	65.0
May	568.1	1,316.8	1,884.9	112.1	562.8	674.9	680.2	1,879.6	2,559.8	67.4
June	567.8	1,319.0	1,886.8	112.0	561.7	673.7	679.8	1,880.7	2,560.5	67.4
July	566.1	1,316.3	1,882.4	112.5	562.8	675.3	678.6	1,879.1	2,557.7	68.0
Aug.	566.8	1,319.4	1,886.2	112.5	565.0	677.5	679.3	1,884.4	2,563.7	67.5
Sept.	566.7	1,323.6	1,890.3	112.4	569.1	681.5	679.1	1,892.7	2,571.8	64.8
Oct.	567.4	1,330.4	1,897.8	111.8	574.5	686.3	679.2	1,904.9	2,584.1	64.5
Nov.	568.7	1,337.9	1,906.6	111.9	582.7	694.6	680.6	1,920.6	2,601.2	59.0
Dec.	569.9	1,340.9	1,910.8	111.3	590.0	701.3	681.2	1,930.9	2,612.1	54.5

(a) Includes all employees of Governmental Authorities (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post office, air transport, education, broadcasting, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

(b) Includes members of Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp.

(c) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949.

(d) See Prefatory note on page 1 hereof as to effects of fluctuations in numbers of Defence Forces and Trainees since August, 1951.



TABLE 7 : CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES, DECEMBER, 1953.  
STATES AND TERRITORIES  
(Thousands)

State or Territory	Commonwealth (a)						State and Semi-Govt. (a)		Local Govt. (a)		Total Governmental (a)		
	Defence Group		Other		Total		M	F	M	F	M	F	P
	M	F	M	F	M	F							
New South Wales	9.2	1.0	44.6	12.7	53.8	13.7	129.4	22.7	24.7	2.5	207.9	38.9	246.8
Victoria	15.7	4.3	33.4	10.1	49.1	14.4	91.1	19.5	12.1	1.3	152.3	35.2	187.5
Queensland	1.2	0.2	16.0	4.0	17.2	4.2	48.4	6.6	15.6	0.8	81.2	11.6	92.8
South Australia	2.9	0.5	11.8	2.5	14.7	3.0	37.4	7.4	2.8	0.3	54.9	10.7	65.6
West. Australia	0.7	0.1	7.7	1.9	8.4	2.0	33.6	5.8	3.0	0.3	45.0	8.1	53.1
Tasmania	0.1	0.1	3.9	1.0	4.0	1.1	13.5	3.2	2.1	0.2	19.6	4.5	24.1
Northern Terr.	0.1	-	2.3	0.5	2.4	0.5	-	-	-	-	2.4	0.5	2.9
Aust. Cap. Terr.	0.1	-	6.5	1.8	6.6	1.8	-	-	-	-	6.6	1.8	8.4
TOTAL: Dec. 1953	30.0	6.2	126.2	34.5	156.2	40.7	353.4	65.2	60.3	5.4	569.9	111.3	681.2
TOTAL: Nov. 1953	30.1	6.2	126.4	34.9	156.5	41.1	352.2	65.4	60.0	5.4	568.7	111.9	680.6

(a) See note (a) to Table 6 on previous page.

TABLE 8 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - STATES AND TERRITORIES  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also Excluded)  
(Thousands)

State or Territory	June 1948	May 1949(a)	June 1950	June 1951	Nov. 1951	June 1952	June 1953	Nov. 1953	Dec. 1953
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MALES

New South Wales	702.3	721.4	740.8	758.2	765.0	754.4	734.3	745.0	747.8
Victoria	473.3	489.3	510.7	525.8	524.3	524.4	521.6	527.1	529.6
Queensland	232.6	239.8	250.4	259.3	260.1	258.1	255.2	255.4	252.5
South Australia	149.0	155.0	165.7	170.0	169.9	171.5	170.6	172.8	173.2
West. Australia	109.2	112.8	120.5	125.3	126.6	(b) 126.0	130.2	131.9	132.6
Tasmania	54.5	57.4	58.4	60.2	60.9	61.0	61.8	61.3	61.9
Northern Terr.	4.0	4.2	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.6	4.8	4.9
Aust. Cap. Terr.	6.0	7.2	7.7	8.1	7.8	8.3	8.5	8.3	8.3
Australia:	1730.9	1787.1	1858.7	1911.5	1919.1	1908.1	1886.8	1906.6	1910.8

FEMALES

New South Wales	261.9	269.9	278.5	290.9	295.2	270.5	266.2	276.8	278.8
Victoria	196.7	202.5	210.0	219.6	220.2	206.6	205.9	212.2	214.6
Queensland	77.9	80.1	83.1	86.1	87.0	83.8	83.7	84.5	85.1
South Australia	50.1	52.2	54.3	57.0	57.1	54.9	53.4	55.3	56.2
West. Australia	37.0	37.8	39.9	41.6	41.5	40.5	41.0	42.2	42.6
Tasmania	18.0	18.8	19.4	20.3	19.8	19.8	20.1	20.2	20.6
Northern Terr.	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9
Aust. Cap. Terr.	1.8	2.1	2.1	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Australia:	644.0	664.1	688.2	718.8	724.0	679.4	673.7	694.6	701.3

PERSONS

New South Wales	964.2	991.3	1019.3	1049.1	1060.2	1024.9	1000.5	1021.8	1026.6
Victoria	670.0	691.8	720.7	745.4	744.5	731.0	727.5	739.3	744.2
Queensland	310.5	319.9	333.5	345.4	347.1	341.9	338.9	339.9	337.6
South Australia	199.1	207.2	220.0	227.0	227.0	226.4	224.0	228.1	229.4
West. Australia	146.2	150.6	160.4	166.9	168.1	(b) 166.5	171.2	174.1	175.2
Tasmania	72.5	76.2	77.8	80.5	80.7	80.8	81.9	81.5	82.5
Northern Terr.	4.6	4.9	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.5	5.7	5.8
Aust. Cap. Terr.	7.8	9.3	9.8	10.6	10.2	10.8	11.0	10.8	10.8
Australia:	2374.9	2451.2	2546.9	2630.3	2643.1	2587.5	2560.5	2601.2	2612.1

(a) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949.

(b) Affected by industrial dispute.

## II : EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

TABLE 9 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS  
AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)  
(Thousands)

Industrial Group	June 1948	December 1952	September 1953	October 1953	November 1953	December 1953
MALES						
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping:	27.4	25.0	26.0	25.7	25.7	26.0
Mining - Gold	9.4	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.8
Silver, Lead, Zinc	7.7	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6
Coal	26.2	30.2	29.6	29.5	29.6	29.6
Other (Incl. Quarries)	9.4	11.7	11.3	11.4	11.5	11.4
Total Mining and Quarrying:	52.7	59.5	58.5	58.3	58.5	58.4
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	625.0	644.0	671.4	675.3	679.4	678.1
Other (b)	55.5	60.1	60.2	60.5	60.4	60.3
Total Manufacturing:	680.5	704.1	731.6	735.8	739.8	738.4
Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.)						
Building (Privately Employed)(c)	85.9	92.9	90.3	89.9	90.0	90.2
Other (d)	81.9	98.9	99.4	100.7	101.4	101.6
Total Building and Construction:	167.8	191.8	189.7	190.6	191.4	191.8
Transport and Communication:						
Road Transport	82.1	8.21	81.7	82.0	82.2	82.6
Shipping and Stevedoring	43.3	48.6	48.7	49.0	48.4	47.7
Rail and Air Transport	96.5	105.2	105.4	105.3	105.6	106.0
Communication	48.0	57.9	59.9	60.1	60.3	60.1
Total Transport, etc.:	269.9	293.8	295.7	296.4	296.5	296.4
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)	49.4	55.7	56.2	56.2	56.2	56.4
Commerce - Wholesale Trade	92.9	110.1	112.8	113.2	113.7	113.9
Primary Produce Agencies	19.4	24.0	22.8	24.0	24.3	24.4
Retail Trade	123.3	126.5	124.8	125.5	127.8	131.7
Total Commerce:	235.6	260.6	260.4	262.7	265.8	270.0
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	84.3	97.8	98.1	97.5	97.5	97.6
Other						
Law and Order	17.1	19.7	20.0	20.1	20.1	20.0
Religion and Social Welfare	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4
Health Services	24.5	25.0	25.8	25.8	25.8	25.9
Education	28.6	33.9	34.9	35.0	35.3	34.9
Other Professional	11.1	11.7	12.2	12.1	12.2	12.2
Entertainment, Sport	17.7	18.2	18.3	18.5	18.5	18.6
Personal Service (e)	52.9	52.9	51.5	51.7	51.9	52.8
Total Other:	163.3	172.8	174.1	174.6	175.2	175.8
Migrants Employed by Commonwealth Government on special tasks:	-	2.8	-	-	-	-
TOTAL:	1730.0	1863.9	1890.3	1897.8	1906.6	1910.8

## FEMALES

Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Mining and Quarrying:	0.6	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	208.0	192.3	207.7	211.1	213.2	213.9
Other (b)	5.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9
Total Manufacturing:	213.9	199.2	214.6	218.0	220.1	220.8
Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.)	2.9	4.2	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
Transport and Communication						
Road Transport	6.8	8.4	8.1	8.0	8.1	8.0
Shipping and Stevedoring	2.1	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3
Rail and Air Transport	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8
Communication	18.3	18.4	17.9	17.9	17.8	17.7
Total Transport, etc.:	35.0	36.9	36.1	36.0	36.0	35.8



TABLE 9 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

## AUSTRALIA (Continued)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	June 1948	December 1952	September 1953	October 1953	November 1953	December 1953
Females (Continued)						
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance):	24.2	32.2	32.3	32.3	32.6	32.7
Commerce - Wholesale Trade	28.5	33.8	34.9	35.0	35.2	35.4
Primary Produce Agencies	4.2	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.4
Retail Trade	109.3	115.5	110.2	111.5	116.7	122.4
Total Commerce:	142.0	154.6	150.4	151.9	157.3	163.2
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	25.0	27.6	27.8	27.2	27.4	27.3
Other						
Law and Order	7.5	8.5	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9
Religion and Social Welfare	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Health Services	59.6	67.9	69.9	70.2	70.1	69.7
Education	37.1	41.9	43.5	43.6	43.7	43.4
Other Professional	8.3	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4
Entertainment, Sport	8.4	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.7
Personal Service (e)	70.4	68.0	65.7	65.9	66.1	66.9
Total Other:	200.3	213.3	214.7	215.3	215.6	215.9
TOTAL:	644.0	669.1	681.5	686.3	694.6	701.3
PERSONS						
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping:	27.5	25.2	26.2	25.9	25.9	26.2
Mining - Gold	9.5	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0	8.0
Silver, Lead, Zinc	7.9	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8
Coal	26.3	30.4	29.8	29.7	29.8	29.8
Other (incl. Quarries)	9.6	12.1	11.6	11.7	11.8	11.7
Total Mining and Quarrying:	53.3	60.4	59.4	59.2	59.4	59.3
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	833.0	836.3	879.1	886.4	892.6	892.0
Other (b)	61.4	67.0	67.1	67.4	67.3	67.2
Total Manufacturing:	894.4	903.3	946.2	953.8	959.9	959.2
Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.)						
Building (Privately Employed)(c)	88.3	95.4	93.0	92.6	92.7	92.9
Other (d)	82.4	100.6	101.2	102.5	103.2	103.4
Total Building and Construction:	170.7	196.0	194.2	195.1	195.9	196.3
Transport and Communication						
Road Transport	88.9	90.5	89.8	90.0	90.3	90.6
Shipping and Stevedoring	45.4	51.0	51.1	51.4	50.8	50.0
Rail and Air Transport	104.3	112.9	113.1	113.0	113.3	113.8
Communication	66.3	76.3	77.8	78.0	78.1	77.8
Total Transport, etc.:	304.9	330.7	331.8	332.4	332.5	332.2
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)	73.6	87.9	88.5	88.5	88.8	89.1
Commerce - Wholesale Trade	121.4	143.9	147.7	148.2	148.9	149.3
Primary Produce Agencies	23.6	29.3	28.1	29.4	29.7	29.8
Retail Trade	232.6	242.0	235.0	237.0	244.5	254.1
Total Commerce:	377.6	415.2	410.8	414.6	423.1	433.2
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.:	109.3	125.4	125.9	124.7	124.9	124.9
Other						
Law and Order	24.6	28.2	28.8	28.9	28.9	28.9
Religion and Social Welfare	20.4	20.4	20.3	20.3	20.3	20.3
Health Services	84.1	92.9	95.7	96.0	95.9	95.6
Education	65.7	75.8	78.4	78.6	79.0	78.3
Other Professional	19.4	21.1	21.5	21.4	21.6	21.6
Entertainment, Sport	26.1	26.8	26.9	27.1	27.1	27.3
Personal Service (e)	123.3	120.9	117.2	117.6	118.0	119.7
Total Other:	363.6	386.1	388.8	389.9	390.8	391.7
Migrants employed by Commonwealth Government on special tasks:	-	2.8	-	-	-	-
TOTAL:	2374.9	2533.0	2571.8	2584.1	2601.2	2612.1

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TABLE 10 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS  
STATES - DECEMBER, 1953.

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp are also excluded)  
(Thousands)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	AUST.(f)
<u>MALES</u>							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping ..	8.6	5.6	5.5	1.7	2.2	2.1	26.0
Mining and Quarrying ..	30.6	5.1	9.3	1.6	8.3	3.2	58.4
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a) ..	279.1	210.8	69.0	66.8	34.1	18.3	678.1
Other (b) ..	26.5	17.2	10.0	2.5	2.5	0.5	60.3
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	305.6	228.0	79.0	69.3	36.6	18.8	738.4
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) ..	64.2	48.7	29.5	18.4	17.2	10.1	191.8
Shipping and Stevedoring ..	16.4	10.7	8.4	6.2	3.9	1.9	47.7
Rail and Air Transport ..	39.0	22.4	20.6	10.6	10.5	2.5	106.0
Other Transport and Communication ..	57.8	37.3	22.1	12.2	8.5	4.1	142.7
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.) ..	22.0	17.0	7.7	4.7	3.4	1.4	56.4
Retail Trade ..	52.5	37.8	16.0	11.7	9.7	3.7	131.7
Wholesale and Other Commerce ..	47.8	39.0	19.1	14.3	13.6	4.2	138.3
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i. ..	35.7	28.1	11.5	7.6	7.0	3.8	97.6
Other Industries (g) ..	67.6	49.9	23.8	14.9	11.7	6.1	175.8
<u>TOTAL MALES</u>	747.8	529.6	252.5	173.2	132.6	61.9	1910.8
<u>FEMALES</u>							
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a) ..	91.4	83.3	13.5	15.5	6.2	4.0	213.9
Other (b) ..	0.9	2.1	2.8	0.1	0.9	-	6.9
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	92.3	85.4	16.3	15.6	7.1	4.0	220.8
Rail and Air Transport ..	3.3	1.9	1.3	0.7	0.4	0.1	7.8
Other Transport and Communication (including Shipping, etc.) ..	10.5	8.4	4.1	2.4	1.4	1.1	28.0
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.) ..	14.4	9.3	3.8	2.5	1.9	0.8	32.7
Retail Trade ..	46.6	33.9	15.8	11.7	10.0	4.2	122.4
Wholesale and other Commerce ..	15.8	10.7	6.1	3.7	3.3	1.0	40.8
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i. ..	10.6	6.6	4.4	1.5	1.9	0.9	27.3
Other Industries (g) ..	85.3	58.4	33.3	18.1	16.6	8.5	221.5
<u>TOTAL FEMALES</u>	278.8	214.6	85.1	56.2	42.6	20.6	701.3
<u>PERSONS</u>							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping ..	8.7	5.7	5.5	1.7	2.2	2.1	26.2
Mining and Quarrying ..	30.9	5.2	9.5	1.7	8.4	3.3	59.3
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a) ..	370.5	294.1	82.5	82.3	40.3	22.3	892.0
Other (b) ..	27.4	19.3	12.8	2.6	3.4	0.5	67.2
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	397.9	313.4	95.3	84.9	43.7	22.8	959.2
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) ..	66.1	49.9	30.1	18.8	17.5	10.2	196.3
Shipping and Stevedoring ..	17.4	11.2	8.7	6.4	4.1	2.0	50.0
Rail and Air Transport ..	42.3	24.3	21.9	11.3	10.9	2.6	113.8
Other Transport and Communication ..	67.3	45.2	25.9	14.4	9.7	5.1	168.4
Property and Finance, (incl. Banks, etc.) ..	36.4	26.3	11.5	7.2	5.3	2.2	89.1
Retail Trade ..	99.1	71.7	31.8	23.4	19.7	7.9	254.1
Wholesale and Other Commerce ..	63.6	49.7	25.2	18.0	16.9	5.2	179.1
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i. ..	46.3	34.7	15.9	9.1	8.9	4.7	124.9
Other Industries (g) ..	150.6	106.9	56.3	32.5	27.9	14.4	391.7
<u>TOTAL PERSONS:</u>	1026.6	744.2	337.6	229.4	175.2	82.5	2612.1

For notes see page 9.

- (a) Refers to estimated employment in factories as defined for the purpose of the annual production census, results of which are published annually in the Secondary Industries Bulletin. In this connexion, a factory is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed, or in which power other than hand is used. The employees covered are those engaged in manufacturing activities and exclude those engaged in selling and distribution, etc. Revision will be necessary in the estimates herein to numbers of employees in factories since June, 1948, within the above definition. A new series of returns was instituted as from January, 1952, which shows the same approximate trend as the figures herein since that date. A survey of the results obtained from this series is presented in Section III.
- (b) Includes employees in industrial establishments outside the scope of the definition of a factory (given in (a) above) and persons employed by factory proprietors but engaged in selling or distribution, etc., who are excluded from figures shown opposite "Factories".
- (c) Includes persons employed on private building, and employees of private employers contracting to public authorities, on building construction, alterations, maintenance and repairs.
- (d) Includes employees on construction of roads, bridges, earthworks, etc., and employees directly employed by public authorities on building and maintenance of buildings.
- (e) Includes, Hotels, Restaurants, Hairdressing and Other Personal Services (except female private domestic).
- (f) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.
- (g) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health, Education, other Professional Services, Entertainment, etc., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, etc., excluding female private domestic). In respect of females only, also includes Forestry, Fishing, etc., Mining, Building and Construction.

### III. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, JANUARY, 1954.

By joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, a regular monthly survey of employment in the larger privately owned factories of New South Wales and Victoria was instituted in January, 1952. Practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large section of those with between 50 and 100 employees were surveyed.

The instruction as to employees to be included in the returns was as follows:- "The number of persons employed is to include all persons on the establishment of the factory who are engaged in the factory or on the factory office staff, provided their employment is directly related to manufacture", and further ".... the number of males and females (separately) employed in the specified factory or mill. These figures are to include factory office staff, but are to exclude selling and distribution staff". The figures obtained relate to the numbers on the pay-roll as at the last pay-day in the month.

The survey was instituted to provide an earlier indication of trend of private factory employment, month by month, than is available from any other source, and in fact the trends shown in employment in these larger private factories are broadly consonant with those shown in estimates of total private factory employment, derived from Pay-roll Tax Returns, for the periods for which comparisons are available.

Figures published in Bulletins prior to March, 1953 related to 618 factories in New South Wales and 778 in Victoria. The survey has since been extended to other States and the movement of employment in 1055 factories in Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia is available from January, 1953 onwards. Approximately half of the total private factory employment in each State is covered by the collection.

Employment in food-processing factories is subject to considerable seasonal variation. In view of this circumstance, the movements in "all factories excluding food factories" are given equal prominence in the tables with those in "all factories surveyed".

As from January, 1954, some changes have been made in the lists of factories reporting. Figures shown in Tables 11 to 15 for months prior to January, 1954 have been revised, where necessary, to accord with the new basis.



TABLE 11. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
<u>NEW SOUTH WALES AND VICTORIA</u>						
1953 January	* 229,051	* 75,099	* 304,150	-	-	-
February	* 232,313	* 78,149	* 310,462	* +1.4	+4.1	+2.1
March	* 235,129	* 79,782	* 314,911	* +1.2	* +2.1	* +1.4
April	* 236,009	* 78,738	* 314,747	+0.4	* -1.3	* -0.1
May	* 237,010	* 79,038	* 316,048	+0.4	+0.4	+0.4
June	* 238,345	* 79,057	* 317,402	* +0.6	* +0.0	+0.4
July	* 238,883	* 79,422	* 318,305	+0.2	+0.5	+0.3
August	* 240,045	* 79,987	* 320,032	+0.5	+0.7	+0.5
September	* 241,584	* 81,157	* 322,741	+0.6	* +1.5	+0.8
October	* 243,633	* 82,957	* 326,590	+0.8	+2.2	+1.2
November	* 245,571	* 83,874	* 329,445	+0.8	+1.1	+0.9
December	* 245,863	* 84,434	* 330,297	* +0.1	* +0.7	* +0.3
1954 January	248,455	86,615	335,070	+1.1	+2.6	+1.4

QUEENSLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND WESTERN AUSTRALIA

1953 January	* 88,325	19,362	* 107,687	-	-	-
February	* 90,303	19,639	* 109,942	+2.2	+1.4	+2.1
March	* 91,078	19,750	* 110,828	+0.9	+0.6	+0.8
April	* 91,416	19,410	* 110,826	+0.4	-1.7	-0.0
May	* 92,901	19,256	* 112,157	+1.6	-0.8	+1.2
June	* 94,568	19,143	* 113,711	+1.8	-0.6	+1.4
July	* 95,782	19,358	* 115,140	+1.3	+1.1	* +1.3
August	* 96,054	19,658	* 115,712	+0.3	+1.5	+0.5
September	* 95,739	19,768	* 115,507	-0.3	+0.6	-0.2
October	* 95,700	20,029	* 115,729	-0.0	+1.3	+0.2
November	* 95,501	20,220	* 115,721	-0.2	+1.0	-0.0
December	* 94,267	20,710	* 114,977	-1.3	+2.4	-0.6
1954 January	93,729	22,048	115,777	+0.6	+6.5	+0.7

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1953 January	* 317,376	* 94,461	* 411,837	-	-	-
February	* 322,616	* 97,788	* 420,404	+1.7	+3.5	+2.1
March	* 326,207	* 99,532	* 425,739	+1.1	* +1.8	* +1.3
April	* 327,425	* 98,148	* 425,573	+0.4	* -1.4	-0.0
May	* 329,911	* 98,294	* 428,205	+0.8	* +0.1	+0.6
June	* 332,913	* 98,200	* 431,113	+0.9	* -0.1	+0.7
July	* 334,665	* 98,780	* 433,445	+0.5	+0.6	+0.5
August	* 336,099	* 99,645	* 435,744	+0.4	+0.9	+0.5
September	* 337,323	* 100,925	* 438,248	+0.4	* +1.3	+0.6
October	* 339,333	* 102,986	* 442,319	+0.6	+2.0	+0.9
November	* 341,072	* 104,094	* 445,166	+0.5	+1.1	* +0.6
December	* 340,130	* 105,144	* 445,274	* -0.3	* +1.0	+0.0
1954 January	342,184	108,663	450,847	+0.6	+3.3	+1.3

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TABLE 12. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed, except Food Factories			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons

NEW SOUTH WALES AND VICTORIA

1953 January	* 207,918	* 66,492	* 274,410	-	-	-
February	* 210,623	* 68,073	* 278,696	+1.3	+2.4	+1.6
March	* 213,712	* 69,692	* 283,404	* +1.5	* +2.4	* +1.7
April	* 215,980	* 70,828	* 286,808	* +1.1	* +1.6	* +1.2
May	* 217,766	* 71,920	* 289,686	+0.8	* +1.5	+1.0
June	* 219,285	* 72,070	* 291,355	+0.7	* +0.2	+0.6
July	* 219,708	* 72,480	* 292,188	+0.2	+0.6	+0.3
August	* 220,718	* 72,916	* 293,634	* +0.5	+0.6	+0.5
September	* 222,193	* 73,984	* 296,177	+0.7	* +1.5	* +0.9
October	* 223,376	* 75,197	* 298,573	+0.5	+1.6	+0.8
November	* 224,693	* 75,949	* 300,642	+0.6	+1.0	+0.7
December	* 225,093	* 75,927	* 301,020	+0.2	* -0.0	+0.1
1954 January	226,798	76,494	303,292	+0.8	+0.7	+0.8

QUEENSLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND WESTERN AUSTRALIA

1953 January	* 73,352	15,142	* 88,494	-	-	-
February	* 73,884	15,380	* 89,264	+0.7	+1.6	+0.9
March	* 74,302	15,711	* 90,013	+0.6	+2.2	+0.8
April	* 74,515	15,931	* 90,446	+0.3	+1.4	+0.5
May	* 75,084	16,039	* 91,123	+0.8	+0.7	+0.7
June	* 75,573	15,938	* 91,511	+0.7	-0.6	+0.4
July	* 76,176	16,021	* 92,197	+0.8	+0.5	+0.7
August	* 76,381	16,206	* 92,587	+0.3	+1.2	+0.4
September	* 76,474	16,358	* 92,832	+0.1	+0.9	+0.3
October	* 77,188	16,618	* 93,806	+0.9	+1.6	+1.0
November	* 77,753	16,922	* 94,675	+0.7	+1.8	+0.9
December	* 78,177	16,902	* 95,079	* +0.5	-0.1	+0.4
1954 January	78,927	17,058	95,985	+1.0	+0.9	+1.0

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1953 January	* 281,270	* 81,634	* 362,904	-	-	-
February	* 284,507	* 83,453	* 367,960	+1.2	+2.2	+1.4
March	* 288,014	* 85,403	* 373,417	+1.2	+2.3	* +1.5
April	* 290,495	* 86,759	* 377,254	* +0.9	* +1.6	+1.0
May	* 292,850	* 87,959	* 380,809	+0.8	+1.4	+0.9
June	* 294,858	* 88,008	* 382,866	+0.7	+0.1	+0.5
July	* 295,884	* 88,501	* 384,385	* +0.3	+0.6	+0.4
August	* 297,099	* 89,122	* 386,221	+0.4	+0.7	+0.5
September	* 298,667	* 90,342	* 389,009	+0.5	* +1.4	+0.7
October	* 300,564	* 91,815	* 392,379	+0.6	+1.6	* +0.9
November	* 302,446	* 92,871	* 395,317	+0.6	* +1.2	* +0.7
December	* 303,270	* 92,829	* 396,099	+0.3	* -0.0	+0.2
1954 January	305,725	93,552	399,277	+0.8	+0.8	+0.8

\* Revised - See page 9.

An industrial grouping of the numbers of persons employed in the larger private factories surveyed, males and females being shown separately, is as follows:-

TABLE 13 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES - NEW SOUTH WALES AND VICTORIA - INDUSTRIAL GROUPING

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (Both States)			Percentage movement in employment		
	January 1953	November 1953	December 1953	January 1954	November- December	December- January
<u>MALES</u>						
1. Building Materials	* 17,613	* 18,545	* 18,607	18,710	+0.3	+0.6
2. Basic Metals	* 28,407	* 29,066	* 29,361	29,807	+1.0	+1.5
3. Transportation Equipment	* 32,220	* 35,100	* 34,800	35,133	*-0.9	+1.0
4. Other Metal Manufactures	* 56,537	* 61,066	* 61,205	61,336	+0.2	+0.2
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	* 11,687	* 11,410	* 11,459	11,746	*+0.4	+2.5
6. Clothing and Textiles	* 25,270	* 28,820	* 28,912	29,068	+0.3	+0.5
7. Food	* 21,133	* 20,878	* 20,770	21,657	*-0.5	+4.3
8. All Other	* 36,184	* 40,686	* 40,749	40,998	*+0.2	+0.6
Total - All Groups	*229,051	*245,571	*245,863	248,455	*+0.1	+1.1
Total - Excluding Food	*207,918	*224,693	*225,093	226,798	+0.2	+0.8
<u>FEMALES</u>						
1. Building Materials	* 1,497	* 1,672	* 1,667	1,653	-0.3	-0.8
2. Basic Metals	* 1,027	* 1,067	* 1,065	1,075	-0.2	+0.9
3. Transportation Equipment	* 2,774	* 3,026	* 3,018	3,043	*-0.3	+0.8
4. Other Metal Manufactures	* 10,265	* 12,292	* 12,337	12,456	*+0.4	+1.0
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	* 3,108	* 3,291	* 3,273	3,306	*-0.5	+1.0
6. Clothing and Textiles	* 37,301	* 42,505	* 42,453	42,820	-0.1	+0.9
7. Food	* 8,607	* 7,925	* 8,507	10,121	*+7.3	+19.0
8. All Other	* 10,520	* 12,096	* 12,114	12,141	*+0.1	+0.2
Total - All Groups	* 75,099	* 83,874	* 84,434	86,615	*+0.7	+2.6
Total - Excluding Food	* 66,492	* 75,949	* 75,927	76,494	*-0.0	+0.7

\* Revised - see page 9.

TABLE 14 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES - QUEENSLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND WESTERN AUSTRALIA - INDUSTRIAL GROUPING

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (3 States)			Percentage movement in employment		
	January 1953	November 1953	December 1953	January 1954	November- December	December- January
<u>MALES</u>						
1. Building Materials	12,399	13,009	13,022	13,213	+0.1	+1.5
2. Basic Metals	3,306	3,359	3,397	3,358	+1.1	-1.1
3. Transportation Equipment	* 16,664	18,417	*18,490	18,764	+0.4	+1.5
4. Other Metal Manufactures	20,119	21,119	21,216	21,407	+0.5	+0.9
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	4,077	* 4,085	4,026	4,115	*-1.4	+2.2
6. Clothing and Textiles	5,198	5,444	5,509	5,518	+1.2	+0.2
7. Food	14,973	17,748	16,090	14,802	-9.3	-8.0
8. All Other	11,589	12,320	12,517	12,552	+1.6	+0.3
Total - All Groups	* 88,325	*95,501	*94,267	93,729	-1.3	-0.6
Total - Excluding Food	* 73,352	*77,753	*78,177	78,927	*+0.5	+1.0
<u>FEMALES</u>						
1. Building Materials	714	790	791	806	+0.1	+1.9
2. Basic Metals	81	78	79	81	+1.3	+2.5
3. Transportation Equipment	835	859	859	880	-	+2.4
4. Other Metal Manufactures	2,136	2,632	2,692	2,709	+2.3	+0.6
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	573	635	643	643	+1.3	-
6. Clothing and Textiles	8,557	9,455	9,368	9,448	-0.9	+0.9
7. Food	4,220	3,298	3,808	4,990	+15.5	+31.0
8. All Other	2,246	2,473	2,470	2,491	-0.1	+0.9
Total - All Groups	19,362	20,220	20,710	22,048	+2.4	+6.5
Total - Excluding Food	15,142	16,922	16,902	17,058	-0.1	+0.9

\* Revised - See page 9.

TABLE 15 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES - FIVE STATES -

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## INDUSTRIAL GROUPING

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (5 States)				Percentage Movement in employment	
	January 1953	November 1953	December 1953	January 1954	November- December	December- January
MALES						
1. Building Materials	* 30,012	* 31,554	* 31,629	31,923	+0.2	+0.9
2. Basic Metals	* 31,713	* 32,425	* 32,758	33,165	+1.0	+1.2
3. Transportation Equipment	* 48,884	* 53,517	* 53,290	53,897	-0.4	+1.1
4. Other Metal Manufactures	* 76,656	* 82,185	* 82,421	82,743	+0.3	+0.4
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	* 15,764	* 15,495	* 15,485	15,861	*-0.1	+2.4
6. Clothing and Textiles	* 30,468	* 34,264	* 34,421	34,586	*+0.5	+0.5
7. Food	* 36,106	* 38,626	* 36,860	36,459	*-4.6	-1.1
8. All Other	* 47,773	* 53,006	* 53,266	53,550	+0.5	+0.5
Total - All Groups	*317,376	*341,072	*340,130	342,184	*-0.3	+0.6
Total - Excluding Food	*281,270	*302,446	*303,270	305,725	+0.3	+0.8
FEMALES						
1. Building Materials	* 2,211	* 2,462	* 2,458	2,459	-0.2	+0.0
2. Basic Metals	* 1,108	* 1,145	* 1,144	1,156	-0.1	+1.0
3. Transportation Equipment	* 3,609	* 3,885	* 3,877	3,923	*-0.2	+1.2
4. Other Metal Manufactures	* 12,401	* 14,924	* 15,029	15,165	*+0.7	+0.9
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	* 3,681	* 3,926	* 3,916	3,949	-0.3	+0.8
6. Clothing and Textiles	* 45,858	* 51,960	* 51,821	52,268	-0.3	+0.9
7. Food	* 12,827	* 11,223	* 12,315	15,111	*+9.7	+22.7
8. All Other	* 12,766	* 14,569	* 14,584	14,632	*+0.1	+ 0.3
Total - All Groups	* 94,461	*104,094	*105,144	108,663	*+1.0	+3.3
Total - Excluding Food	* 81,634	* 92,871	* 92,829	93,552	*-0.0	+0.8

\* Revised - See page 9.

## IV. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR

TABLE 16 : AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE EARNINGS (a) - AUSTRALIA

Index-numbers (Base 1945-46 = 1000)

Revised Series (Seasonally adjusted)

Year	Index-numbers		Quarter	Index-numbers	
	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing		All Industries (b)	Manufacturing
1945-46	1,000	1,000	1951 -		
1946-47	1,037	1,056	June Quarter	1,915	1,984
1947-48	1,164	1,206	Sept. Quarter	2,020	2,107
1948-49	1,322	1,365	Dec. Quarter	2,129	2,182
1949-50	1,451	1,505	1952 -		
1950-51	1,742	1,810	March Quarter	2,183	2,258
1951-52	2,145	2,213	June Quarter	2,249	2,304
1952-53	2,350	2,404	Sept. Quarter	2,305	2,371
			Dec. Quarter	2,354	2,408
			1953 -		
			March Quarter	2,362	2,400
			June Quarter	2,377	2,436
			Sept. Quarter	2,445	2,504

(a) Including salaries. (b) Average earnings per male unit employed. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings.

NOTE:- The two series in the above table are not comparable horizontally.

The "All Industries" index is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and other data. The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1945-46 to 1951-52 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual factory returns. The figures subsequent to June, 1952 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.



TABLE 17 : AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES

## INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following tables are based on averages of wage rates for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each industrial group in each State is the arithmetical average of the rates of wage payable for classified occupations within that group. The figures for "All Groups" for each State and for each industrial group for Australia are weighted averages.

The base of each index number is the weighted average weekly wage for Australia of all industrial groups for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
30TH NOVEMBER, 1953.							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	318	307	285	302	318	314	309
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	312	302	291	298	320	316	306
III. Food, Drink, etc.	315	317	293	313	312	330	311
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	308	310	317	317	321	307	311
V. Books, Printing, etc.	357	349	330	342	351	361	350
VI. Other Manufacturing	316	305	283	305	314	321	309
VII. Building	349	332	314	321	337	338	336
VIII. Mining (c)	324	*316	303	303	(d)343	320	321
IX. Rail and Tram Services	319	*311	293	298	312	314	310
X. Other Land Transport	312	296	280	292	312	306	301
XI. Shipping, etc. (e)	345	351	346	348	348	350	347
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (f)	379	338	341	338	352	374	357
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc. (f)	302	294	268	279	294	296	293
XIV. Miscellaneous	310	301	280	290	304	306	301
All Groups (b)	331	315	305	311	326	334	321

## 31ST DECEMBER, 1953

I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	318	307	285	302	318	314	309
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	312	302	291	298	320	315	306
III. Food, Drink, etc.	315	317	293	313	312	325	312
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	308	310	317	317	321	307	311
V. Books, Printing, etc.	357	349	330	342	351	361	350
VI. Other Manufacturing	316	306	283	305	314	317	309
VII. Building	349	332	314	321	337	333	336
VIII. Mining (c)	324	316	303	303	(d)343	320	321
IX. Rail and Tram Services	319	311	293	298	312	314	310
X. Other Land Transport	312	296	280	292	312	306	301
XI. Shipping, etc. (e)	345	351	346	348	348	350	347
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (f)	379	338	341	338	352	371	356
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc. (f)	302	294	268	279	294	293	293
XIV. Miscellaneous	310	302	280	290	304	302	301
All Groups (b)	331	315	305	311	326	331	321

(a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Average rates of wage prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State.

(d) Excludes district allowances in the gold-mining industry.

(e) Average rates of wage on which index number are based are for occupations other than masters, officers, and engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied.

(f) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

\* Revised.

TABLE 18 : AVERAGE NOMINAL HOURLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES, STATES (a). 15.

The index numbers in the following table are based on average of wage rates and hours of labour for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each State is the weighted average of the wage rate for each industrial group in that State. The average rate of wage for Australia is the weighted average of the wage rates for each State.

The base of each index number is the weighted average hourly wage for Australia for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
31st December, 1938 .	109	98	109	92	111	94	104
" " 1945	136	133	133	124	138	127	133
" " 1946	146	143	142	132	141	137	143
" " 1947	168	153	149	152	155	149	158
" " 1948	192	188	179	183	190	184	188
" " 1949	206	204	196	197	208	198	203
" " 1950	248	244	228	234	250	239	243
30th September, 1951	282	277	255	266	287	272	276
31st December, 1951	300	290	268	279	300	287	291
31st March, 1952	312	302	285	292	312	298	303
30th June, 1952	321	307	295	299	324	306	311
30th September, 1952	335	322	304	315	334	317	325
31st December, 1952	338	327	308	322	342	326	329
31st March, 1953	339	328	308	318	343	329	330
30th June, 1953	343	332	311	322	347	337	334
30th September, 1953	346	335	312	327	352	341	337
31st December, 1953	346	336	316	327	352	341	338

(a) Weighted average hourly rates of wage for all industrial groups except Groups XI. (Shipping, etc.) and XII. (Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.). The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.

(b) Weighted average.

#### VI. UNEMPLOYMENT

TABLE 19 : NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, STATES.

Compiled from information furnished by the Department of Social Services on the operation of the Unemployment and Sickness Benefits Act 1944 (from 1st July, 1947, Part VII of the Social Services Consolidation Act 1947-1953), which came into effect on 1st July, 1945. From June, 1951 onwards figures are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each Month (a)

Month	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia		
							Males	Females	Persons
1947 June	1,400	667	3,231	105	761	44	5,981	227	6,208
1948 June	339	66	1,173	20	212	28	1,718	120	1,838
1949 May	222	33	809	12	91	29	1,102	94	1,196
1950 June	335	151	568	32	108	32	998	228	1,226
1951 June (d)	246	32	263	3	50	10	457	147	604
1952 June	4,613	1,133	2,055	153	236	104	6,108	2,186	8,294
November (e)	20,839	7,685	3,289	1,080	921	316	29,275	4,855	34,130
December	25,118	7,817	4,452	1,209	1,233	257	34,775	5,311	40,086
1953 January	23,653	8,416	7,034	1,205	1,136	189	36,817	4,816	41,633
February	20,867	5,158	7,002	730	816	188	29,940	4,821	34,761
March	17,802	4,422	5,882	644	701	223	25,303	4,371	29,674
April	16,871	5,454	4,972	658	700	250	24,446	4,459	28,905
May	15,351	5,630	4,333	576	654	243	22,517	4,270	26,787
June	14,629	5,939	3,677	655	691	323	21,552	4,362	25,914
July	14,296	6,052	3,154	728	870	405	20,907	4,598	25,505
August	12,222	5,549	2,794	596	689	477	18,215	4,082	22,297
September	9,975	4,567	2,591	427	541	427	15,167	3,361	18,528
October	7,070	3,314	2,495	289	445	312	11,109	2,816	13,925
November	5,659	2,367	2,488	224	374	223	8,933	2,402	11,335
December	5,742	2,202	3,279	198	386	142	9,670	2,279	11,949

(a) Last Saturday of month. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) From May, 1951 to September, 1952 the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet. (e) From October, 1952 the figures represent the number actually on benefit.

